

ANTI-LYNCHING FUND TRIP

- July 16 11 A. M. train to Philadelphia.
3.30 meeting at the Union Baptist Church. About 600 people in the audience. \$75 collected. A request for a return visit.
- July 17 8.30 train to Baltimore. Upon arrival called up Branch President. Found him out of the city. Got into communication with other members and met at Dr. Cardoza's home in the evening. I was requested to go to see Bishop Hurst before leaving town, this I did the following morning and arranged a return date with him for Aug. 6 to 11.
- July 18 Left Baltimore for York, Pa. Found considerable dissension amongst local members. Spent the day trying to get up a meeting at short notice. Succeeded in getting before a joint Church meeting and urged them to have an anti-lynching meeting at an early date. They decided on July 31.
- July 19 Left York for Harrisburg. Here everything was at loose ends. Spent several hours going over local situation with Dr. Lewis, and he decided under the circumstances, a small meeting with no advertising, would be more harmful than good. Urged activity for the anti-lynching fund as a means of settling some of the local grievances.
- July 19 3.45 P. M. left Harrisburg, Pa. for Detroit, Mich. With difficulty I located the Secretary. Spent the morning writing advance letters to branches to be visited, urging them to get in touch with the suffragists. The afternoon was given over to getting a story in the white papers. In the evening a meeting 7.30 at the Unitarian Church. 9 P. M. the A. M. E. Church, with a reception following.

- July 20. Toledo cancelled her date, so I went on a picnic. Here I met with the United Baptist Church from Detroit, Toledo and Windsor Canada. Made three talks at the picnic. Collection \$150.95, including Detroit meetings.
- July 21 Spent the morning in Detroit calling upon prominent white people to interest them in the Fund. Called on all the judges, newspapers and some business people.
Left on a noon train for Cincinnati. Went direct from the train to a splendid meeting. Collection \$109.10
- July 23 Sunday. Left Cincinnati for Louisville, Ky. Reached town just in time for the meeting, which was splendidly attended, considering the heat and so many people out of town? During the early part of the evening, I tried to get in touch with some white people, but found them out of town. Collection \$67
Left Louisville Sunday night for St. Louis, where the local Suffragists wanted to meet with me. Had a morning meeting, July 24, with them. A splendid evening meeting at Pythian Hall
Collection \$125
- Left St. Louis that night to reach Gary, Ind. July 25. Traveled all night and part of next day to get to the meeting. This meeting was somewhat disappointing. The crowd was small and the collection was reluctantly given, owing mainly to much interest being put in raising funds for the building of an A.M.E. Church. Collection \$80, promise of more later.
- Left Gary, Ind. for Cleveland, Ohio, via Chicago, to reach Cleveland, July 26. Went direct to the Secretary and talked over plans of meeting with him. He took me calling on local people to get them to come to the Meeting. Had a splendid meeting.
Collection \$102.98

July 27 Left Cleveland for Columbus. Was met at station by Secretary who had arranged with the local Suffragists for me to meet them at a lawn party, also a meeting in the evening at a colored Church, which was a record breaking one. At all the other meetings, excepting the picnic, the audience ranged from 25 to 500. At this meeting in Columbus there were about 800. Collection \$125.

July 28 During the morning a few members of the Columbus Branch met with me to go over a local difficulty between the women of the Branch and the local Suffragists. The Branch women refused to meet the Suffragists half-way. I met the Suffragists at noon, and we tried to come to some agreement. It is of a political nature and ought to have careful attention.

At Springfield, I met with much difficulty. A protracted Prayer Meeting took the crowd. The local minister refused to cooperate with the Branch. Permission was given for me to speak at the Prayer Meeting, and withdrawn by the preacher when I reached the tent. The whole affair was tragic in its insults. I insisted upon saying something and when the money was coming in for the fund, the preacher dismissed the audience. Collection \$25.

Left Springfield on the midnight train to reach Buffalo, Saturday, July 29. Endeavoring to get up a white meeting, but notice was too short. Had a meeting Sunday at a colored church. Called on Mr. John Howie to get the cooperation of the Presbyterian Forum, but its activities were suspended for the summer. Collection \$15. Promised to make it more. Most members had already sent in pledges.

Left Buffalo Sunday midnight for New York City. Left New York City midnight for Narragansett Pier to solicit money from F. R. Hazard, also to speak at Providence. The meeting was splendidly attended and \$100 raised for the fund. Left Providence 1.15 A. M. for New York City.

Aug. 2 Thursday. A mas meeting at the Metropolitan Tabernacle, 138th Street, where the banner collection was taken.

Aug. 3 Wednesday, meeting at the Concord Baptist Church, Brooklyn. Crowded house. \$100 for the fund.

Aug. 4 Off to Chester, Pa. thence to Baltimore and Philadelphia. At each place visited a request to return when the people are back in town, and more time can be given to working up a meeting and have a big crowd. The Branches deducted the expenses of the meeting.